

# California OES Weather Threat Briefing

Thursday, March 18, 2021  
9:00 AM PST

**Day 1 (Thursday):** Gusty winds, rain and mountain snow are expected across central and northern California. Impacts to travel are expected over the mountains. Gusty winds may produce power outages and down tree limbs, especially across far northern California.

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# **WEATHER KEY POINTS**

**03/18/21 - 03/24/21**

## **Thursday-Wednesday**

- A series of storm systems will move through the state through Friday
  - Precipitation is primarily expected across northern and central California, with periods of moderate to heavy snowfall possible in the mountains
  - Isolated thunderstorms with small hail are possible along the northern and central coast on Friday.
  - A few snow showers may linger across far northern California and over the Sierras into Saturday
  - Gusty winds are expected with the storms, especially in northern California on Thursday and southern California on Saturday
  - No widespread burn scar runoff issues are expected
- A brief period of drier weather is expected Sunday, with showers possible across northern California on Monday.
  - Gusty winds are expected for Sunday and Monday



# CALIFORNIA WEATHER IMPACTS

03/18/21 - 03/24/21

<u>Hazards / Day</u>	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
<b>Non-Thunderstorm Damaging Winds</b>	Coastal/ Inland		Southern	Southern	Southern		
<b>Snow</b>	Inland (Mountains)	Inland (Mountains)					
<b>Coastal Flooding</b>							
<b>River Flooding</b>							
<b>Thunderstorms</b> (Wind / Hail / Tornadoes)	Coastal	Coastal					
<b>Fire Weather</b> (Low Humidity / Wind / Dry Thunderstorms)							
<b>Heat Risk</b>							
<b>Heavy Rain/Flash Flooding/ Debris Flow</b>							
<b>Cold</b>							



No Impacts



Minimal Impacts



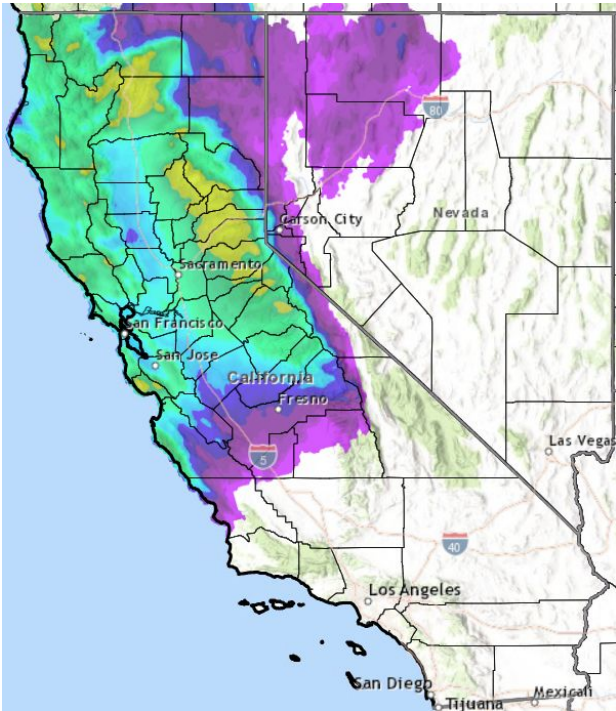
Moderate Impacts



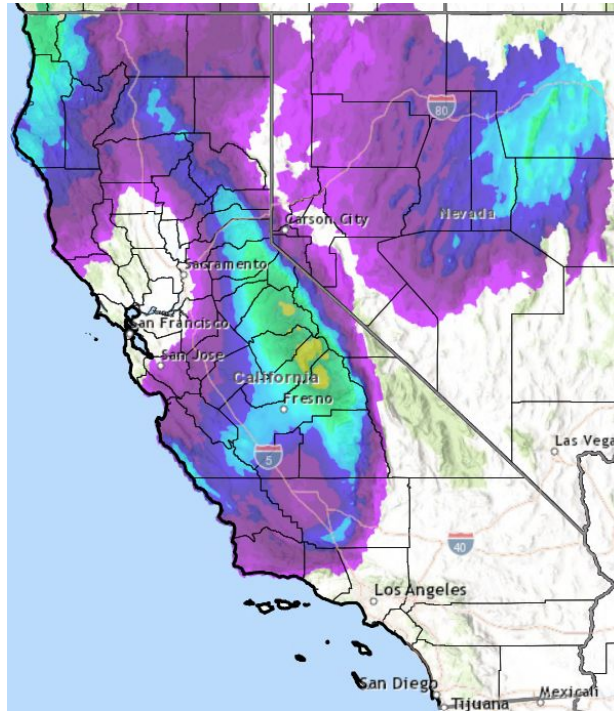
Severe Impacts

# PRECIPITATION FORECAST

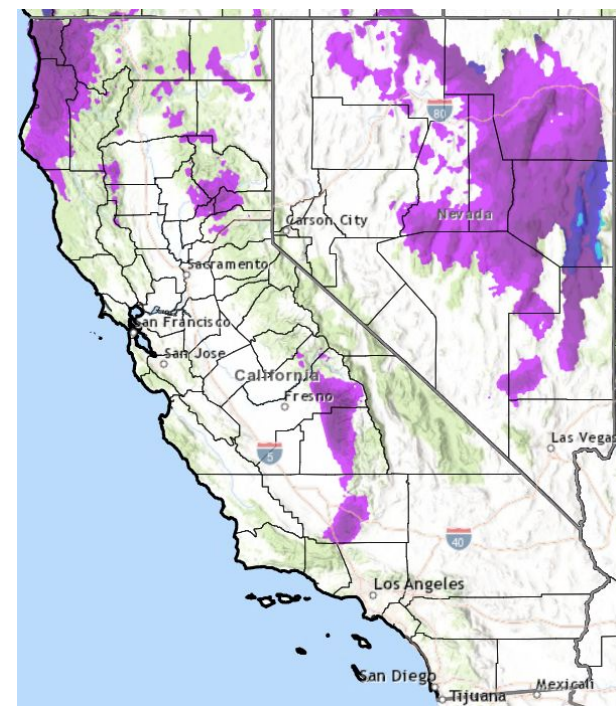
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Thursday



Friday



Saturday

Precipitation (inches)



# **WEATHER OUTLOOK**

**03/23/21 - 03/31/21**

## **6-10 Day Outlook (March 23 – March 27)**

### **Temperatures**

- Near normal temperatures favored across Coastal and Inland Regions, with below normal temperatures favored for Southern Region

### **Precipitation**

- Below normal precipitation favored for much state, especially northern California

## **8-14 Day Outlook (March 25 – March 31)**

### **Temperatures**

- Above normal temperatures are favored for much of the state

### **Precipitation**

- Below normal precipitation favored for much state, especially northern California



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